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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1(Currently amended). A wet paper web transfer belt for use in the press part of a closed draw papermaking machine, said belt comprising a base body, a machine side layer, and a wet paper web side layer, the wet paper web side layer having a wet paper web contacting surface and having porous ~~bodies~~ fibers embedded therein, wherein said wet paper web side layer is obtained by mixing said porous fibers with high molecular weight elastic material, and a plurality of said porous ~~bodies are exposed at~~ fibers protrude from said wet paper web contacting surface.

2-8(Canceled).

9(New). A wet paper web transfer belt as claimed in claim 1, wherein the area ratio of the exposed parts of the porous fibers to said wet paper web contacting surface is in the range from 5% to 50%.

10(New). A wet paper transfer belt as claimed in claim 1, wherein the porosity of said porous fibers is around 60%.